BEFORE THE

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 686

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served March 13, 1967

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Application of D. C. Transit)
System, Inc., for Reconsidera-)
tion of WMA Route Authorization)
No. 6 - 66.

On February 7, 1967, by Order No. 672, the Commission denied the application of D. C. Transit System, Inc., for reconsideration of Route Authorization No. 6 - 66, issued to WMA Transit Company on August 26, 1966.

The application for reconsideration was filed by D. C. Transit pursuant to Section 15 of the Compact. Denial thereof by the Commission, through Order No. 672, completed the administrative process. Nevertheless, D. C. Transit has now filed an application for reconsideration of the order (672) which, as we have just noted, denied its application for reconsideration of the subject matter complained of.

The latter request is without merit both procedurally and substantively, and will be dismissed. Under the statutory procedures stated in the Compact, a person affected by a final order of the Commission may seek reconsideration of that order. Reconsideration must be sought within 30 days of the issuance of the order. As we noted in Order No. 672, this 30 day time period is not subject to waiver by the Commission. D. C. Transit's failure to seek reconsideration within the time schedule prescribed in Section 15 is fatal.

Had a timely application for reconsideration been filed, and then denied, perhaps a request to reconsider the latter denial would be meritorious. We do not reach that question, however, since the original application for reconsideration was not timely filed. Therefore, to restate a prior finding herein, the administrative process ended with the issuance of Order No. 672.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the application of D. C. Transit System, Inc., for reconsideration of Order No. 672 be, and it is hereby, dismissed.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:

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Acting Executive Director

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